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(U) Agua Dulce - One Killed, Another Injured in Fire Station Shooting

(U) A firefighter was shot and killed and a second was critically injured at a Los Angeles County Fire Department station in Agua Dulce Tuesday morning. The shooting suspect, Jonathan Tatone, was an off-duty firefighter who worked at the same station, died by suicide after the shooting and was found at his home in Acton that was set ablaze. The slain firefighter, identified as Tory Carlon, 44, was a 20-year veteran of the department. A 54-year-old fire captain sustained a gunshot wound and was in critical condition after being airlifted to Henry Mayo Hospital in Valencia. There is still no word on a possible motive. However, media reports that there may have been an ongoing dispute between the shooter and the slain firefighter, who worked different shifts but resided in the same area.

SOURCE: 1 June 2021, CBS News

(U) Azusa – Sensitive Documents Police Department Placed Online Following Ransomware Attack

(U) In March an international hacking syndicate suspected of conducting ransomware attacks around the globe turned its attention to the Azusa Police Department in California's San Gabriel Valley. Through means that remain unclear, the hacking group DoppelPaymer appears to have infiltrated computers in the department and gained access to critical data, and a demand for money followed. For the next 2½ months, officials in the city kept the hack a secret. The department strategized with the FBI, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, and ransomware consultants; in April they opted not to pay, and hundreds of sensitive files, including criminal case files, surveillance videos, gang reports, and payroll data, spilled out online. The perpetrators posted seven gigabytes of Azusa records on the darkweb. The index page of the police data has been visited more than 11,000 times since late April.

SOURCE: 1 June 2021, Security Info Watch

(U) San Francisco – Bystanders Assist Police Officer Attacked by Homeless Man

(U) A group of bystanders are being credited for helping a female police officer who was attacked by a homeless man in San Francisco's Chinatown area last week. Media reports that the officer confronted the suspect after he was allegedly threatening people in the area. Several men then jumped in to pull the man off the officer until more police arrive on the scene. The officer was taken to the hospital and suffered minor injuries. Police arrested Geraldo Contreras, 33, on charges of assault on a peace officer, false imprisonment, and resisting arrest with a hate crime enhancement. There has been a rise in violent attacks by homeless individuals, including attacks on police officers, according to the San Francisco Police Officer's Association.

SOURCE: 1 June 2021, The Hill

(U) San Francisco – Authorities Shut Down Major Fentanyl Distribution Organization in Bay Area

(U) An alleged kingpin and six of his associates have been charged with drug trafficking after federal agents shutdown a criminal organization responsible for a pipeline funneling illegal fentanyl to San Francisco Bay Area streets, according to the US Attorney's Office. The criminal organization kept large amounts of fentanyl stashed in houses in Oakland and San Leandro. The deadly illegal drug was passed along in a distribution chain that flowed throughout the Bay Area, including San Francisco, Concord, and

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Oakland. Federal agents also discovered that the fentanyl was hidden in fence posts around the property, and found dyes likely used to color the fentanyl prior to sale and approximately \$36,000 in cash. According to the complaints, it is estimated the drug trafficking organization has filled over 100 orders for suspected fentanyl between approximately 21 April and 19 May 2021. SOURCE: 2 June 2021, CBS News

(U) San Diego – Major Healthcare Provider Notifying Victims of Data Breach in Cyber Attack

(U) Scripps Health announced Tuesday that some patient information was acquired during last month's ransomware attack, with the investigation ongoing into the full scope of the data breach. In a statement, the San Diego-based healthcare system said an "unauthorized person" gained access to Scripps' network and while the individual did not access Epic, Scripps' electronic medical record application, "health information and personal financial information was acquired through other documents stored on our network." Scripps said it was working to notify 147,267 people so they can take steps to protect their information, though there is no indication at present that any data has been used to commit fraud. SOURCE: 1 June 2021, Patch

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Texas – Border Patrol Agents Arrest More Than 160 Undocumented Individuals Within 24 Hours (U) Laredo – US Border Patrol agents apprehended more than 160 undocumented individuals during two separate alleged human smuggling attempts in a 24-hour period. The first incident happened shortly after midnight on 28 May, when a tractor hauling a tanker trailer approached the checkpoint on Highway 83. During primary inspection, a service dog alerted to the conveyance and agents referred it to secondary inspection. There, a non-intrusive scan revealed more than 50 individuals inside the tanker. The second incident happened the next morning when a commercial tractor-trailer approached the checkpoint on Interstate 35. During the immigration inspection, a service dog alerted the agent and the driver was referred to secondary inspection. The driver disregarded the agent's directions and drove north on I-35. Agents stopped the vehicle near the 31 mile-marker on I-35 and discovered over 100 individuals inside the trailer.

SOURCE: 1 June 2021, CBS News

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(U) District of Columbia – White House: Russian Criminal Gang Likely Behind Hack of Meat Supplier (U) Washington DC – A criminal organization likely based in Russia was behind a ransomware attack that has disrupted animal slaughtering at JBS, the White House said based on information from the world's largest meat processor. São Paulo-headquartered JBS has for the past two days suffered from a cyberattack on its North American and Australian systems that halted work for thousands of employees. The incident, first discovered on Sunday, is the latest in a string of cyber-attacks on companies with important roles in the economy, including ransomware that last month stopped flows on the Colonial pipeline, a vital fuel artery for the populous east coast of the US. The FBI is investigating the attack and President Biden has directed the administration to look at ways to mitigate supply disruptions. SOURCE: 1 June 2021, Financial Times

(U) New York – Homeless Man with Lengthy Criminal Record Charged in Attack on Asian Woman (U) New York City – Alexander Wright, 48, was charged with assault as a hate crime for the unprovoked, caught-on-camera attack Monday that left the 55-year-old woman hospitalized, the NYPD said. The arrest adds to a rap sheet that includes a staggering 40 prior arrests, with five, including Monday's, within the past year. In bolstering the case, police also pointed out another ambush of an Asian woman

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at a subway station, saying the suspect was free to commit these crimes despite racking up dozens of prior arrests. In another case, Wright is accused of punching a 72-year-old man in the face at a bus stop in the Bronx. He also allegedly tossed hot coffee at two Midtown traffic agents on 27 January. SOURCE: 1 June 2021, New York Post

(U) Washington – Man Charged with Attempting to Provide Material Support to ISIS

(U) Seattle – Elvin Hunter Bgorn Williams, 20, of Seattle, was arrested on 28 May at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport on criminal charges related to his alleged efforts to join Islamic State of Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS), a designated foreign terrorist organization, to engage in violent acts of terrorism in the Middle East or the US. In November 2020, a member of a Seattle-area Mosque contacted the FBI with concerns about Williams. The mosque had attempted to provide support and guidance to Williams, but members became aware he was deeply involved in ISIS propaganda. Williams was using mosque-provided electronic devices to engage in online chats with ISIS radicals and to view ISIS propaganda videos of beheadings and other acts of violence. In November 2020, Williams allegedly swore an oath of allegiance to ISIS.

SOURCE: 1 June 2021, <u>US Department of Justice</u>

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(U) Indonesia – Arrests Over Alleged Plot to Attack Archbishop and Police

(U) Papua – Twelve people have been arrested over an alleged terrorist plot to attack an archbishop and police stations in the Indonesian province of Papua, local police officials said. The suspected terrorists were believed to be Muslim extremists and were arrested in the largely Christian Merauke Regency of Papua, for planning an attack on police stations and Petrus Canisius Mandagi, the Archbishop of Merauke. The suspects had entered the church carrying backpacks to target the Archbishop of Merauke, but since he was not present, they left, according to police. The 12 people involved in the plot were affiliated with the ISIS-inspired Jamaah Ansharut Daulah (JAD) group, which carried out a suicide bombing at a Catholic Church in the Indonesian city of Makassar.

SOURCE: 1 June 2021, RNZ News

(U) Spain – Police Seize 860-Kilograms of Black and Odorless Cocaine

(U) Madrid – Spanish police have arrested three people after breaking up a ring that allegedly smuggled hundreds-of-kilos of cocaine into Europe by disguising it as charcoal and ridding the drug of its telltale scent to render it undetectable to dogs. Officers from Spain's national police and Portugal's judicial police began investigating at the beginning of 2020 after noticing that a trading company was using a variety of front organizations to carry out suspicious imports that didn't tally with their supposed business operations. They traced the business back to a well-known Basque drug trafficker who had once spent 11 months in a Bolivian jail.

SOURCE: 2 June 2021, The Guardian

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